

HA-1353

1877

Kennedy-Weber House  
134 S. Bond Street  
Bel Air  
Private

This would be the plainest kind of workingman's housing were it not for the bold scroll brackets to the porch posts. The house was built by blacksmith Jacob Kennedy.

## MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

HA-1353  
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## INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

Jacob C. Kennedy House

AND/OR COMMON

Weber House

**2 LOCATION**

STREET &amp; NUMBER

134 S. Bond

1st

CITY, TOWN

Bel Air

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

\_\_\_ VICINITY OF

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Harford

**3 CLASSIFICATION****CATEGORY**

\_\_\_ DISTRICT

☒ BUILDING(S)

\_\_\_ STRUCTURE

\_\_\_ SITE

\_\_\_ OBJECT

**OWNERSHIP**

\_\_\_ PUBLIC

☒ PRIVATE

\_\_\_ BOTH

**PUBLIC ACQUISITION**

\_\_\_ IN PROCESS

\_\_\_ BEING CONSIDERED

**STATUS**☒ OCCUPIED

\_\_\_ UNOCCUPIED

\_\_\_ WORK IN PROGRESS

**ACCESSIBLE**☒ YES: RESTRICTED

\_\_\_ YES: UNRESTRICTED

\_\_\_ NO

**PRESENT USE**

\_\_\_ AGRICULTURE

\_\_\_ COMMERCIAL

\_\_\_ EDUCATIONAL

\_\_\_ ENTERTAINMENT

\_\_\_ GOVERNMENT

\_\_\_ INDUSTRIAL

\_\_\_ MILITARY

\_\_\_ MUSEUM

\_\_\_ PARK

☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE

\_\_\_ RELIGIOUS

\_\_\_ SCIENTIFIC

\_\_\_ TRANSPORTATION

\_\_\_ OTHER:

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

George N. Weber

Telephone #: 838-6632

STREET &amp; NUMBER

708 Linwood Avenue

CITY, TOWN

Bel Air

\_\_\_ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21014

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Harford County Courthouse

Liber #: 343

Folio #: 80

STREET &amp; NUMBER

Main Street

CITY, TOWN

Bel Air

STATE

Maryland

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

\_\_\_ FEDERAL \_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_ COUNTY \_\_\_ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

**7 DESCRIPTION**

HA-1353

**CONDITION**

☐ EXCELLENT  
☒ GOOD  
☐ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED  
☐ RUINS  
☐ UNEXPOSED

**CHECK ONE**

☐ UNALTERED  
☒ ALTERED

**CHECK ONE**

☒ ORIGINAL SITE  
☐ MOVED      DATE \_\_\_\_\_

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DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This two and a half story, three bay aluminum sided house is at 134 S. Bond Street in the Town of Bel Air, Harford County, Maryland. While it resembles many Bel Air houses built between 1870 and 1900 in layout, it lacks the ubiquitous front gable. The three bay by two bay gable roofed Main block has two corbell capped inside end chimneys. The ell (actually a T) is also unusual in that it springs from the middle of the west elevation of the main block, rather than the side two bays as is more common in Town. The two bay ell has a shed roof sloping to the south and an enclosed porch on the south side. A third corbell capped chimney is in the middle of the west elevation of the ell. The north elevation of the main block is blind save for a pair of four pane casements in the gable. The south elevation has the casements in the gable and two windows on each level. The windows of the house are 6/6 double-hung sash. The entrance is in the middle bay of the front (east) elevation. This is also uncommon; the entrance in a side bay is more common. The glass over panel door is topped by a two-pane transom.

The front porch has a hip roof carried on chamfered posts with scroll brackets.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES 1877

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This plain house, adorned only by the scroll brackets on the front porch posts, was built in 1877 by blacksmith Jacob Kennedy on land he purchased for \$400 from Jessie Frazier. Kennedy's smithy was two doors south on Bond. A picture of the smithy before 1904 is on page IV-3 in the Bel Air Centennial Book. This house and the smithy appear on the 1878 map. On the 1904 insurance map the smithy, where the boot maker's shop is today, has a different shape than it did in the picture.

This house is essentially a one family owned house, for the current owner is descended from Jacob Kennedy through Kennedy's daughter, Lydia A. Weber.

The house has had its side porch enclosed since 1930. The house, while roomy for 1877, is plain for the home of a master craftsman.

**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

1878 Map  
1904, 1930 Sanborn Map  
Bel Air Centennial Book

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY \_\_\_\_\_

**VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION**

This property occupies parcel #1220 in the Town of Bel Air, 41' x 300'

**LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES**

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

Marilynn Larew, Architectural Historian

25 October 1979

ORGANIZATION

DATE

Town of Bel Air

838-8700

STREET & NUMBER

TELEPHONE

39 Hickory Avenue

CITY OR TOWN

STATE

Bel Air

Maryland

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

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The Shaw House, 21 State Circle  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
(301) 267-1438

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST 21 STATE CIRCLE SHAW HOUSE ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND 21401  HISTORIC SITES SURVEY FIELD SHEET Individual Structure Survey Form		SURVEY NUMBER: HA-1353  NEGATIVE FILE NUMBER:  UTM REFERENCES: Zone/Easting/Northing  U.S.G.S. QUAD. MAP:  PRESENT FORMAL NAME: Weber House	
COUNTY: Harford TOWN: Bel Air		ORIGINAL FORMAL NAME: Kennedy House	
LOCATION: 134 S. Bond		PRESENT USE: private residence ORIGINAL USE: same ARCHITECT/ENGINEER:	
COMMON NAME: Weber House		BUILDER/CONTRACTOR:	
FUNCTIONAL TYPE: private residence OWNER: George N. Weber ADDRESS: 708 Linwood Avenue Bel Air		PHYSICAL CONDITION OF STRUCTURE: Excellent( ) Good(X) Fair( ) Poor( )	
ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Yes( ) No( ) Restricted(✓)		THEME: Architecture STYLE: Vernacular	
LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE: Local(✓) State( ) National( )		DATE BUILT: 1877	
GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Structural System 1. Foundation: Stone(X) Brick( ) Concrete( ) Concrete Block( ) 2. Wall Structure A. Wood Frame: Post and Beam( ) Balloon( ) B. Wood Bearing Masonry: Brick( ) Stone( ) Concrete( ) Concrete Block( ) C. Iron( ) D. Steel( ) E. Other: 3. Wall Covering: Clapboard( ) Board and Batten( ) Wood Shingle( ) Shiplap( ) Novelty( ) Stucco( ) Sheet Metal( ) Aluminum(X) Asphalt Shingle( ) Brick Veneer( ) Stone Veneer( ) Bonding Pattern: Other: 4. Roof Structure A. Truss: Wood( ) Iron( ) Steel( ) Concrete( ) B. Other: 5. Roof Covering: Slate( ) Wood Shingle( ) Asphalt Shingle( ) Sheet Metal( ) Built Up( ) Rolled( ) Tile( ) Other: 6. Engineering Structure: 7. Other: Appendages: Porches(X) Towers( ) Cupolas( ) Dormers( ) Chimneys(X) Sheds(X) Ells(X) Wings( ) Other: Roof Style: Gable(X) Hip( ) Shed( ) Flat( ) Mansard( ) Gambrel( ) Jerkinhead( ) Saw Tooth( ) With Monitor( ) With Bellcast( ) With Parapet( ) With False Front( ) Other: Number of Stories: 2½ Number of Bays: 3 Approximate Dimensions: 25' x 35'  Entrance Location: South Bond			
THREAT TO STRUCTURE: No Threat( ) Zoning( ) Roads( ) Development(✓) Deterioration( ) Alteration( ) Other:		LOCAL ATTITUDES: Positive( ) Negative( ) Mixed( ) Other:	

## ADDITIONAL ARCHITECTURAL OR STRUCTURAL DESCRIPTION:

windows 6/6

entrance: middle bay front (e) elev transom over glass &amp; panel door

porch - hip roof on chamfered posts scroll brackets

N elev blind ex 2 4 pane casements in gable

enclosed 1 story porch(s)

2 bay shed roof (to S) ell 3 corbell capped chimneys

## RELATED STRUCTURES: (Describe)

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

middle class house 1870-75

## REFERENCES:

## MAP: (Indicate North in Circle)



X

S. Bond

H. w. Churchville

## SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT:

Open Lane( ) Woodland( ) Scattered Buildings( )

Moderately Built Up( ) Densely Built Up( )

Residential(x) Commercial(x)

Agricultural( ) Industrial( )

Roadside Strip Development( )

Other:

Marilynn Larew

RECORDED BY:

Town of Bel Air

ORGANIZATION:

22 October 1979

DATE RECORDED:

TITLE: 134 S. Bond Street

343/80

25 May 1950  
William C. Weber & Louise  
to  
George Nelson Weber & Antonette  
41.3' x 303'  
Lydia A. Weber died 13 November 1949

230/95

15 March 1934  
J. Glasgow Archer, Jr.  
to  
Lydia A. Weber & William Weber, her son

230/94

15 March 1934  
Howard W. Kennedy, widower, & Lydia A.  
Weber & Harry  
to  
J. Glasgow Archer, Jr.  
grantors are heirs of Jacob C. Kennedy,  
who died 14 May 1933

35/15

3 April 1877  
Jessie Frazier of Wayne Co. N.Y.  
to  
Jacob C. Kennedy  
\$400

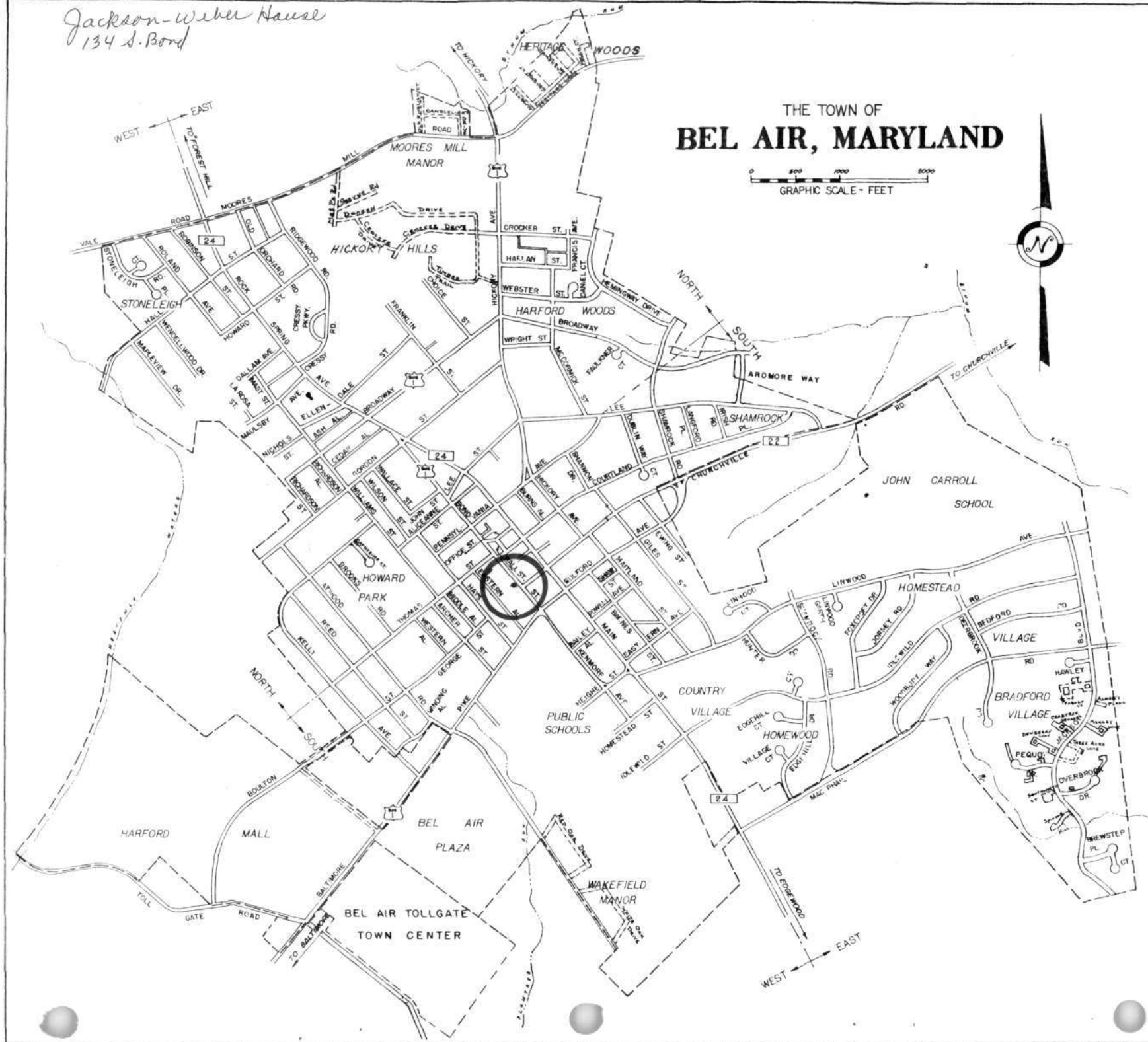


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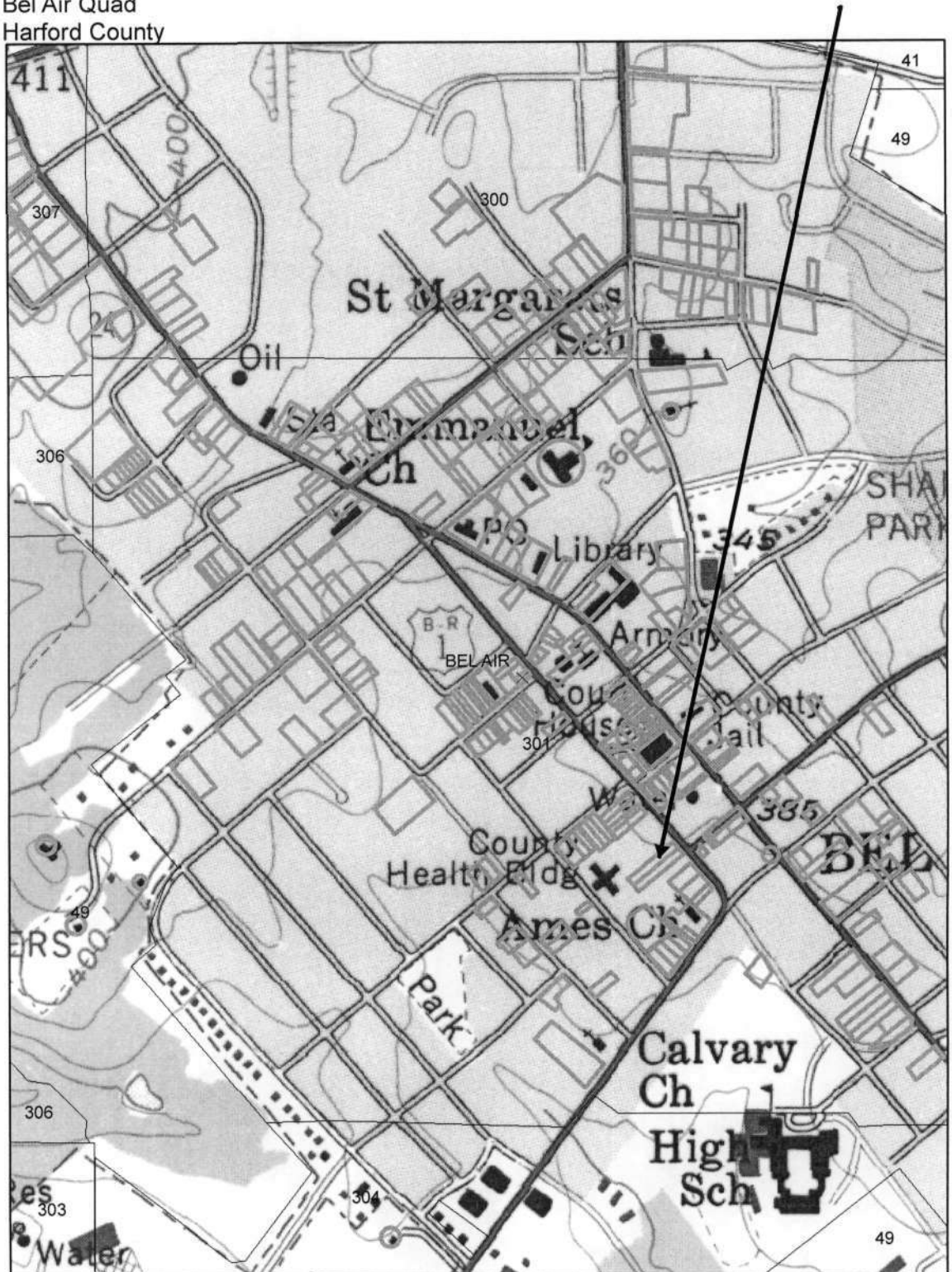
Jackson-Wieher House  
134 S. Bond

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GRAPHIC SCALE - FEET



HA-1353  
Jacob C. Kennedy House  
Bond Street  
Bel Air  
Bel Air Quad  
Harford County





HA - 1353

Jacob C. Kennedy House, 134 S. Bond, Bel Air  
see elev

M. Larew, 1979